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STATEMENT

Responsive to the Communication mailed October 25, 2004, the Examiner's brief description of the teleconference of October 13, 2004, is accurate. A Supplemental Submission has been filed October 20, 2004, and nothing further is believed to be required. A response to the Supplemental Submission is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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